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Prices and Prospects.

Spot Market Singularly Devoid of Activity; No Pre-Holiday Stiffening

Heavier Requisitions on Con-
tracts, Not Buying was
the Order.

PRICES A SHADE EASIER

A Single Producer Closes First Quar-
ter Contracts for Furnace at \$3.75.
To Surprise of the Trade; Another
For High Grade Coke, at \$4.50.

Special to The Weekly Courier.
PITTSBURGH, Dec. 26.—The spot
coke market has been singularly
devoid of activity in the past fortnight,
falling altogether to show the usual
pre-holiday stiffening. If there was
anticipation by consumers of lighter
shipments this week the anticipation
was done by specifying on contracts
rather than by buying in the open
market as has been the usual pro-
cedure.

In spot furnace coke there has been
scarcely any demand, and quotable
prices are a shade easier, at \$3.75 to
\$4.00 against \$3.85 to \$4.00 quoted a
week ago. Whether or not it would
require much buying to stiffen the
market up to a \$4.00 minimum cannot
be estimated and the point seems to
be only of theoretical interest in any
event as there are no prospects of
any material increase in buying.

In spot foundry coke the market
has perhaps had its former activity
but there certainly has been no in-
crease in the volume of buying. Re-
ports continue of "foundry" coke of-
fered at less than \$3.00 but as heretofore
such coke does not seem to be of
standard quality, and the general
run of the market remains where it
has been for many weeks, \$3.00 to
\$3.50.

In heating coke the demand has
been disappointingly light, this being
of course attributable to the weather,
which on an average has been re-
markably mild. Prices are easier in
the heating coke market for \$3.50 to
\$3.75, against \$3.75 to \$4.00 a week
ago. The market is still in the hands
of the few producers who are circu-
lating in the trade last week. That standard
furnace coke for first quarter had
gone at \$3.75 are entirely confirmed
this week. Two or three contracts
have been closed at this figure, one
being by an eastern consumer. Only
one producer participated in the sell-
ing. No other producer admits a
willingness to go below \$3.00 and few
will admit willingness to go as low
as that, and if this is the case it
seems strange that sales should be
made at as much as \$3.75 under the
\$4.00 figure. However, there is
no evidence today that standard fur-
nace coke over the first quarter can
be bought at less than \$4.00, hence
that seems to be the quotable market.

A first quarter contract has been
made at \$1.50 but this involves a
high grade of coke required in mak-
ing low phosphorus pig iron and
there is no demand for additional
coke for that purpose the figure does
not make part of the market. The
coke commanded a premium over the
regular market, as it usually does.
The market is now quotable as fol-
lows:

Spot furnace \$3.75 to \$4.00
Contract furnace \$3.75 to \$4.00
Spot foundry \$3.00 to \$3.50
Contract foundry \$3.00 to \$3.50

The Pittsburgh district coal market
continues in poor shape, there being
a combination of altogether unsatis-
factory prices and a very light de-
mand in the spot market. Production
has decreased further. Consumption
has changed but little if at all, but
there is no disposition in stock
coal even though prices are so attrac-
tive, and it is possible some consum-
ers are drawing upon stocks previously
laid in. Domestic coal is moving
much more slowly than normal
at this date, on account of very mild
weather. Regular Pittsburgh district
steam mine-run in the spot market
is quotable at \$1.90 to \$2.10. Slack
ranges from \$1.50 to \$1.75, the higher
figure being for gas slack and not
easily obtained at that. Some pro-
ducers are offering gas lump at lower
prices, down occasionally to \$2.25,
while other producers are firmly ad-
hering to old prices, up to \$2.75 or
more.

The pig iron market continues very
quiet, and it can no longer be said
that prices are well held on all
grades. Foundry remains very stiff
at \$22.00 to \$22.50, with \$22.00 the
regular price of orders of any size,
while some producers are obtaining
\$22.50 right along on orders to 100
tons. Bessemer is regarded as quot-
able at \$23.00, for some time past,
but there are persistent reports that
\$22.50 could be done in one quarter.
As to basic, the price of \$21.00, Val-
ley, hardly appears to be more than
an asking price. While it is main-
tained as such week after week has
supported by sales. In one or two
cases the price has been shaded to
\$20.00 by a Valley producer, while in
other cases the consumer, usually
buying in the Valleys, has secured
on elsewhere at less than the Valley
equivalent. The merchant furnaces in
operation are more or less comfort-

Review of the Connellsville Coke Trade.

Statistical Summary.

PRODUCTION	WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 24, 1923.				WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 15, 1923.			
	District	Ovens	In	Out	District	Ovens	In	Out
Connellsville	Connellsville	18,243	8,406	9,775	114,310	18,243	8,397	9,846
	Lower Connellsville	16,888	8,265	10,023	81,119	16,888	8,104	10,754
Totals		35,131	16,671	19,798	195,429	35,131	16,501	20,600
FURNACE OVENS								
Connellsville	Connellsville	14,086	6,978	8,010	97,530	14,086	6,978	8,010
	Lower Connellsville	6,822	1,736	5,086	21,810	6,822	1,736	5,086
Totals		21,908	8,714	13,096	122,340	21,908	8,714	13,096
MERCHANT OVENS								
Connellsville	Connellsville	8,257	1,492	1,765	16,490	8,257	1,492	1,836
	Lower Connellsville	10,066	4,929	5,307	66,270	10,066	4,908	5,098
Totals		18,323	6,421	7,072	82,760	18,323	6,399	6,934

Establishment of "Coking- In-Transit Rates" for Coal Sought by Rainey-Wood Co.

In Proceedings Before Penn-
sylvania Public Service
Commission.

NO CHANGE IN COKE RATE

But Ask that Coal Rate be Reduced
So that 1.4 Tons Can be Carried to
By-Product Ovens at Rate for One
Ton; Would Ask Beehive Coking.

Special to The Courier.
PITTSBURGH, Dec. 26.—The com-
plaint of the Rainey-Wood Coke Com-
pany recently filed before the Public
Service Commission of Pennsylvania,
will come up for consideration early
in the new year. It does not seem
that the people of the Connellsville
coke region realize the enormous in-
jury that would be done the region
if the commission should take the
action suggested by the company.

The complaint does not specifically
ask for a coking-in-transit rate, but
that is what the matter amounts to.
In a table in the complaint it is set
forth that the rate on 1.4 tons of coal
from the Westmoreland district to
Swedenland, in eastern Pennsylvania,
where the Rainey-Wood by-product
coke plant is located, is \$3.70, while
the rate on one ton of coke from
Swedenland to Philadelphia is \$3.85,
making a total of \$7.55, whereas
as the rate on one ton of coke from
the Connellsville region to Philadel-
phia is \$5.35, making at Philadelphia
the "excess" of cost on by-product
coke over cost of beehive coke, \$2.20.
Similar excesses are figured for
various other points. For instance,
it is \$2.30 for Reading, \$1.55, and in
shipping by-product coke backwards
from Swedenland to Harrisburg, the
"excess" is \$2.82.

It is claimed that all this is "dis-
crimination" against by-product coke.
It is asked, not that the rate on Con-
nellsville coke be increased but that
there be reduction in the rates on coal
to Swedenland and in the rates on
coke from Swedenland, in order to re-
move the alleged discrimination.

The complaint is directed against
the Pennsylvania Railroad Company,
Monongahela Railway Company,
Philadelphia & Reading Railway
Company and Upper Merion & Ply-
mouth, all within the state of Penn-
sylvania. If, however, the Public Ser-
vice Commission of the state should
find that the rates are excessive, the
Pittsburgh & Lake Erie, for instance,
which now handles part of the coal
traffic, and runs through other states
to do so, as well as other roads, would
naturally apply to the Interstate Com-
merce Commission for permission to
raise the reduced rates. This permis-
sion could hardly be refused, and
the Interstate Commerce Commission
would then be in essence committed
to a coking-in-transit policy in mak-
ing coal and coke rates. Complaints
would come from other points in be-
half of by-product coke.

The Rainey-Wood complaint quotes
extensively the recommendation of
the United States Coal Commission in
its report of September 26, 1923, un-
der the caption "Coking-In-Transit
Rates," that "consideration should be
given by the railroads to the estab-
lishment of coking-in-transit rates."
The beehive coke and anthracite
are carried on through rates.
The coal from mines to by-product
ovens and coke from these ovens to
consumers are carried on two rates
(the one on coke usually a high local
rate) which, combined, are much
higher than a through rate would be.
A coking-in-transit rate would be a
competitive through rate by which
coal could be carried from mines to
ovens and after conversion into coke,
transported beyond to the consumer.
Such rates will advance the by-pro-
duct coking industry and the con-
servation of natural resources.

This coking-in-transit matter has
as a matter of fact, come before
in the Interstate Commerce Commis-
sion in December 4, in the com-
missioner's inquiry on anthracite coal,
directed by the coal commission. H.
B. Hunt, president of the Koppers
Company, which has built by-product

ovens now making about 90 per cent
of the by-product coke made in the
United States, and also president of
several by-product coking companies,
made a lengthy and diversified appeal
for the establishment of the coking-
in-transit principle so as to promote
the building of by-product coking
plants in the east, where coke would
then be supplied as an anthracite
substitute. He quoted the experience
of the Seaboard By-Product Coke
Company, which he stated had fre-
quently lost money, and suggested
that further building of by-product
plants in the east was blocked by the
rate situation.

The existing rates on coal and coke
are natural and logical in them-
selves and are attacked not on their
merits of demerits, but on the ground
that as built up the by-product cok-
ing industry would be a good thing
for the public. It would be done at
the expense of the railroads, for the
argument is not for an advance in the
rate on coal, but for a reduction in the
rate on coke. The argument is for a
reduction in the rates on coal to by-
product plants and on by-product
coke. It would also be at the
expense of the beehive ovens of the
Connellsville region.

If this movement gets under way
and proceeds to its logical conclusion
it will mean practically the end of
beehive coking in the Connellsville
region in a few years. Some of the
larger Connellsville coke operators
have already decided to make a de-
termined intervention in the case be-
fore the Public Service Commission,
and all the operators in the region
will have good reason for joining in
the movement when they realize that
the very life of the Connellsville coke
industry is at stake.

In view of actual conditions pre-
vailing much of the time in the mak-
ing for Connellsville coal and Con-
nellsville coke, the matter is of as
much concern to the community at
large as to the coke operators them-
selves. As competitive conditions
exist, the operators shipping coke
really make their profit chiefly on
the coal much of the time, the opera-
tion of coking being conducted fur-
ther with no profit, and sometimes
with a loss. The cost of the coking
operation, in wages and supplies, is
distributed in the region, which thus
has a large revenue distributed to
the trades-people even if the operator
making the distribution has no profit
in the coking operation, but only the
profit that would accrue if the raw
coal were sold to by-product ovens
and shipped out of the region. If the
cost of coking is \$1.00 a ton there is
a distribution of some \$12,000,000 this
year, which would be lost to the com-
munity if the raw coal was shipped
instead.

Big Gain in Gross Income of Street Railway Lines

Gross railway operating revenues
of the electric railway companies op-
erating in Pennsylvania in 1922 to-
taled \$102,977,951, an increase of 44.4
per cent as compared with 1917; ac-
cording to preliminary figures com-
piled by the United States Depart-
ment of Commerce. Operating ex-
penses were \$74,058,711, an increase
of 72.2 per cent, and net income \$6,
556,503, a gain of 10.3 per cent.

The compilation shows a slight in-
crease in track mileage in the five
year period and an increase of 9.7 per
cent in the number of passengers car-
ried. There were 117 companies, op-
erating 4,328.74 miles of single track,
and they carried in 1922 1,067,839,553
passengers, as against 1,336,278,517
in 1917. In 1922 the companies oper-
ated 8,826 cars and employed 30,570
persons.

PRESIDENT TALKS ABOUT COAL WITH MINE LABOR HEADS

Discusses Proposed Legisla-
tion With Lewis and
Murray.

TREND NOT DISCLOSED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The pres-
ident of coal legislation at the present
session of Congress and the situation
in the bituminous mines, where part-
time operation is now the rule, were
discussed with President Coolidge a
few days ago by John L. Lewis, pres-
ident, and Philip Murray, vice-pres-
ident of the United Mine Workers of
America. Mr. Lewis and Mr. Murray
were accompanied to the White House
by Secretary Davis and Ellis Searles,
editor of Mined's Journal.

Both Mr. Lewis and Secretary Davis
are inclined to disclose the trend of
the fifteen-minute conversation with
the President, contending themselves
with the question of the coal wage
strike. Mr. Lewis said he was not
inclined to "pay their respects" to
the President, but he was on his way
from New York to the headquarters
of the miners' union in Indianapolis
and stopped off to see the President.
That the call was not without sig-
nificance, however, was revealed by
the fact that the President dismissed
the White House automobile, which
had been run round to take him for
a drive so that he might see the min-
ers' representatives.

The legislation proposed by the
United States Coal Commission and
recommended to Congress in the
President's message was the cover
of discussion at the meeting, although
there were indications that some at-
tention was paid to the prospects of
negotiations this winter between bi-
tuminous operators and miners for a
renewal of the wage contract in the
soft coal mines, which expires April
1 next.

With respect to the possible res-
ignation of coal mining, the President
is on record in his message as favor-
ing the immediate establishment of a
commission by the President
"empowered to deal with whatever
emergency situation might arise, to
aid reconciliation and voluntary arbi-
tration, to adjust any existing or
threatened controversy between the
employer and the employees when
collective bargaining fails and by
controlling distribution to prevent
hoarding."

I. C. C. Reverses Decision on Roads To New Coal Mines

The Interstate Commerce Commis-
sion has reversed a previous decision
in which it had held down the broad
principle that no further railway
construction should be authorized to
open new coal mines.
In its original ruling, handed down
last spring, the commission refused
the Virginia Railway authority to
extend its Glenwade river branch a
distance of slightly more than a mile
in order to reach mines of the Pocahontas Fuel Company. The decision
declared that present and future
public convenience and necessity re-
quired the new construction involv-
ed, and authorized the railroad to
proceed.

There had been attacks from many
quarters on the commission's de-
cision in the Virginia case, which
was based in part on a promise that
there are already more coal mines in
the United States than needed, and
the railroads are not able to furnish
their cars for hauling their products.
The first decision also declared that
the Virginia, in particular, had been
unable to meet demands for coal ser-
vice from mines already on line.

B. & O. to Buy Tie Plates.
It is understood that the Baltimore
& Ohio railroad has placed orders for
2,500 tons of tie plates.

Production and Output.

Week-Before-Christmas Gain Largely Preparedness By Leading Furnace Interest

Not Result of Any Well Devel-
oped Buying Movement by
Consumers.

HEAVIER REQUISITIONS

On Contracts Helped Slightly; Year Is
Closing Under Strikingly Different
Conditions Than Those of 1922; Signs
Reveal that Not Being Banked On.

The increase of 12,360 tons in the
production of coke during the week
immediately preceding Christmas was
not due, as has been usual in earlier
years in the trade, to enlarged pre-
holiday buying. Nor was it all the
result of heavier requisitions on ac-
count of contracts, although that had
some influence in the case of opera-
tions running largely on contract
business. The principal reason for
the increase was the desire of the
leading furnace coke-producing inter-
est to give a fuller week's employ-
ment preceding Christmas and as a
means of providing in advance for
keeping up the average weekly pro-
duction, the observance of Christmas
output by one-sixth and possibly
more.

The furnace share of the gain last
week was more than 50 per cent of
the whole, having been 10,890 tons as
compared with 1,500 tons gained by
the other interest.

RULINGS ISSUED ON CORPORATION TAXES FOR 1924

HARRISBURG, Dec. 24.—Auditor
General S. S. Lewis today issued
printed instructions for payment of
the corporation income tax which be-
comes due March 15, 1924.

These instructions were sent to all
corporations and firms subject to the
tax.

Six rulings on the new tax and a
number of general instructions are
contained in the pamphlet.

The auditor general warned all
concerns in which the tax applies to
send their reports to him before
March 15 to avoid the 10 per cent
penalty. "The statute permits of an
extension of time for filing, only in
cases where individual application
has been made to the auditor gen-
eral," he said.

Where the auditor general is not
satisfied with an account contained in
any report filed by a party, he will
be based upon the facts brought to his
attention. Refusal to furnish infor-
mation by officers of a corporation is
tantamount to failure to report and
the same penalty may be invoked,
but such officer may be fined \$1,000
or imprisoned.

After the settlement is made the
corporation must pay the tax to the
state treasurer within 60 days and
interest is charged amounting to six
per cent for this period. Another six
per cent is added after this period.

Every corporation, joint stock as-
sociation, limited partnership or com-
pany whatsoever doing business or
organized in this state is subject to
the tax and a report must be filed
whether income has been received
during the past year or not.

If a corporation's fiscal year does
not close December 31, it must certify
to the auditor general the date its
fiscal year does close and that its re-
ports to the federal government are
of that date.

The six rulings of the auditor gen-
eral pertain to the value of the cor-
poration's tangible property, amount of
expenditures in wages, salaries,
etc., assignable, amount of gross re-
ceipts, unassignable, deduction of
wages outside the state to escape
payment of tax, situation of
property and payment of wages out-
side the state, and definition of an
employee.

When we get into the dead of
winter," he said, "during some
concentrated cold spell, I am thinking
of having a Governor Pin not to re-
sist a Massachusetts and discuss with
the Pennsylvania coal operators what
every citizen of our state must pay
every time he throws a shovelful of
coal into the furnace."

B. & O. Surplus \$15,000,000.
The Baltimore & Ohio railroad will
show net operating income of \$15,
\$19,424 for 1923 according to an es-
timate made public following the
monthly meeting of directors. This
will leave a surplus, after dividends
and other allowances, in excess of
\$15,000,000.

the merchants. In the case of the
latter it represented rather better
average running than a larger num-
ber of plants making full six days
during the week before. It also
represented in part the increase in
the number of active merchants, 322
having been brought into running
which increases the merchant quota
to 5,521 ovens. This is, however, but
46 per cent of the available equip-
ment as compared with 7,260 tons, or
53.5 per cent running in the cor-
responding week a year ago.

The drop from 5,548 active ovens,
or 85 per cent, on August 1, shows
that the merchant operators are near-
ing the close of the year with a loss
of at least 20 per cent from the late
summer record. By one method of
calculation this represents part of
the cost of the late fall slump to the
operators of this group. The other
and much more significant part is the
loss in dollars and cents resulting
from selling coke at prices uncom-
fortably close to the costs of produc-
tion.

The regional tonnage, 195,420,
again fell below that of the corre-
sponding week in 1922, as has hap-
pened during each of the past eight
weeks. The difference, which last
week was 9,170 tons, is a very con-
crete measure of the difference in
trade conditions during the respective
periods. It shows the entire absence
from the closing weeks of 1923 of the
strengthening factors of active demand
and a strong market. The featured
December, 1922 and forecast still more
satisfactory developments after the
turn of the year. The present is not
without hopeful signs but there is a
hesitancy on the part of coke pro-
ducers to put reliance in hopes or
prospects. Much executed contracts
for coke are much more dependable
than promises, but at the moment
the former are not much in evidence.

That several of the more important
merchant plants have been restored
to activity recently, and that produc-
tion has been climbing slowly but
steadily from the low ebb during the
first week of December, must be ac-
cepted as proof that the merchant
position has been improving in the
actual activity, even though the
test of price realization, production
will be found disposed to demand
the proposition that conditions are
very much better.

The estimated production of coke
during the week ended Saturday, De-
cember 22, was 195,120 tons, divided
between the two districts as follows:
Connellsville, 111,310, an increase of
8,720 tons; Lower Connellsville, 83,810,
an increase of 3,650 tons, or a total in-
crease of 12,360 tons, as compared
with an increase of 2,910 tons during
the preceding week.

By interests the production was
Furnace, 122,730, a gain of 10,890
tons; merchant, 72,390, a gain of 1,500
tons, as compared with gains of 1,070
and 970 tons respectively during the
week ended December 15.

The increase of 322 in the number
of active ovens took place at mer-
chant plants, the changes having been:
In Oliver No. 1, 26; Oliver No. 3, 73;
Adair, 11; Herbert, 150; total, 265. Out
West Penn, 100,000, the net gain
322. The Herbert plant came into
running after an protracted idleness.
West Penn closed down after a long
run.

Production by the two interests and
the total compared with the corre-
sponding week in 1922 is shown here-
with:

Week	Merch.	Furn.	Total.	Total
Jan. 6	6,34,880	122,370	217,850	81,130
Jan. 12	12,26,650	138,580	226,880	83,810
Jan. 19	20,99,480	152,500	234,630	86,550
Jan. 26	27,10,240	169,890	246,630	89,380
Feb. 2	31,99,550	144,110	244,100	90,190
Feb. 9	10,10,780	161,800	255,780	91,820
Feb. 16	17,10,680	167,310	266,610	92,590
Feb. 23	24,11,120	149,870	281,070	100,570
Mar. 1	3,11,690	161,430	278,830	112,710
Mar. 10	10,11,810	162,540	241,520	125,620
Mar. 17	17,12,140	165,730	288,190	124,020
Mar. 24	24,12,470	165,480	280,210	134,410
Mar. 31	31,12,540	171,880	357,550	148,960
Apr. 7	21,12,850	176,310	300,220	134,420
Apr. 14	14,12,850	177,510	306,520	98,810
Apr. 21	21,12,880	181,030	304,870	64,930
Apr. 28	28,12,100	181,570	302,720	62,530
May 5	5,12,180	184,320	306,290	82,200
May 12	12,11,820	179,480	297,720	84,130
May 19	19,11,690	182,430	338,120	87,420
May 26	26,11,240	183,580	285,970	90,180
June 2	2,10,980	182,350	283,320	48,470
June 9	9,11,340	181,250	255,440	88,900
June 16	16,11,050	187,130	266,610	92,590
June 23	23,11,670	190,200	300,720	69,650
June 30	30,11,120	182,900	304,220	70,210
July 7	7,11,040	177,920	241,520	86,550
July 14	14,10,620	175,390	241,520	86,550
July 21	21,10,070	172,520	226,430	88,570
July 28	28,9,750	169,200	268,510	79,180
Aug. 4	4,9,750	168,790	266,510	78,990
Aug. 11	11,9,750	168,790	266,510	78,990
Aug. 18	18,9,750	168,790	266,510	78,990
Aug. 25	25,9,750	168,790	266,510	78,990
Sept. 1	1,10,070	169,200	279,270	80,600
Sept. 8	8,10,070	169,200	279,270	80,600
Sept. 15	15,10,070	169,200	279,270	80,600
Sept. 22	22,9,750	169,400	279,600	80,790
Sept. 29	29,9,750	169,400	279,600	80,790
Oct. 6	6,9,750	169,400	279,600	80,790
Oct. 13	13,9,750	169,400	279,600	80,790
Oct. 20	20,9,750	169,400	279,600	80,790
Oct. 27	27,9,750	169,400	279,600	80,790
Nov. 3	3,10,070	170,000	280,070	81,000
Nov. 10	10,10,070	170,000	280,070	81,000
Nov. 17	17,10,070	170,000	280,070	81,000
Nov. 24	24,10,070	170,000	280,070	81,000
Dec. 1	1,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
Dec. 8	8,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
Dec. 15	15,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
Dec. 22	22,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
Dec. 29	29,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
Jan. 5	5,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
Jan. 12	12,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
Jan. 19	19,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
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Apr. 10	10,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
Apr. 17	17,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
Apr. 24	24,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
Apr. 30	30,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
May 7	7,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
May 14	14,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
May 21	21,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
May 28	28,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
Jun 4	4,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
Jun 11	11,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
Jun 18	18,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
Jun 25	25,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
Jul 2	2,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
Jul 9	9,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
Jul 16	16,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
Jul 23	23,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
Jul 30	30,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
Aug 6	6,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
Aug 13	13,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
Aug 20	20,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
Aug 27	27,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
Aug 31	31,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
Sept 7	7,11,260	171,000	282,260	82,000
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LITTLE FOLKS MADE HAPPY AT U. S. CO. STORES

Seven Hundred Pounds Candy
Given Out at Trotter;
1,350 at Davidson.

MUSIC AND SPEAKING HURT LAST OCTOBER

Eleven hundred pounds of candy and 250 calendars were distributed last afternoon by the Union Supply Company at the plant of the U. S. Coal Company at Trotter, Pa. The company's Christmas gift to its patrons at the coke plant. A happy occasion it proved to be for the hundreds of children and their parents who gathered in the big warehouse auditorium. For their entertainment an orchestra played for an hour or longer while Santa Claus in the person of Peter Duff, assistant mine foreman, was getting ready for the treat. Attorney Walter P. Schenck of Connellsville added to the pleasure of the occasion by a brief address during which he told a number of stories that pleased the young folks anxious as they were to become better acquainted with Santa.

The arrangements were in charge of Mine Manager William W. Hartz, with Superintendent Benton Bord, Mine Foreman C. L. Barker, Master Mechanic Robert L. Werner, James Burns, Patrick Duncan and others assisting. What triumph at Trotter was similar in many respects to those at other coke plants where at all the Union Supply Company distributed 1,000 pound boxes of candy and 100 calendars.

At Davidson 1,350 boxes of candy and 225 calendars were given out by Mine Manager John Brindlinger and his assistants including Superintendent H. G. Brown, James Ryan, John Craft and W. D. Stoffer and R. C. Lyon who appeared in the role of Santa Claus. A four-piece orchestra played. The distribution was made at the store.

Infant Death Rate Highest in Towns Of 10,000-25,000

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—The theory long held that the child of the coal miner is healthier than his brother or sister of the smaller towns is somewhat upset by a study published by the American Child Health Association of which Herbert Hoover is the president. While the lowest infant mortality rates registered in the United States are in smaller towns such as Brainerd, Mass. and Berkeley, Cal. which are chiefly residential communities, it is in cities of this size with populations of between 10,000 and 25,000 that the highest rates are recorded. This is true particularly of manufacturing and mining centers.

New York City reported in 1922 that only 70 of each 1,000 children born died before reaching their first birthday. Dubuque with 108 Kansas City with 109 and Pittsburg with 96 have the highest rate of the 25 American cities with more than 250,000 population. Of these same large cities an exceptionally low rate is recorded at Seattle, with 49. Minneapolis with 47 and Portland Ore with 56. Of the next smaller cities those of from 100,000 to 250,000 population the highest rates are recorded from San Antonio with 118 Fall River, Mass. with 12 and Trenton, N. J. with 108. The lowest rates among cities of this population are Grand Rapids, Mich. with 87, Bridgeport, Conn. with 81 and Omaha with 81.

Paterson, N. J. and Charleston, W. Va. are highest among cities of from 100,000 to 125,000. Cleveland, Ohio next with 122. The lowest among cities of this class is that of Dartmouth, N. J. with 31. Berkeley and Long Beach, Cal. rank second and third with 37 and 38 respectively.

Of cities of from 25,000 to 50,000 population Fall River, Mass. is highest with 141. Vermont is lowest with 10. The lowest among cities of from 10,000 to 25,000 is that of Brainerd, Mass. with 60. The highest among cities of from 10,000 to 25,000 is that of Brainerd, Mass. with 60. The highest among cities of from 10,000 to 25,000 is that of Brainerd, Mass. with 60.

JULIAN B. HUFF, COAL OPERATOR, VICTIM OF POLO

Injury Caused by Ball Striking
Temple Followed by Cerebral Hemorrhage.

Engineers Organize To Save Forests Throughout U. S.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 21.—The death Sunday of Julian B. Huff, well known coal operator and noted polo player, was the result of an injury suffered on the polo field. Physicians believe the immediate cause was a cerebral hemorrhage. He was stricken Friday night after returning from a business trip to Greensburg, Pa., where many of his coal properties are located.

Mr. Huff was struck in the temple by a polo ball last October while practicing with the Bryn Mawr team, of which he had been a member several years. The blow knocked him from his horse and rendered him unconscious. Later he recovered and pluckily insisted on resuming and continuing practice. This injury, his physicians said, probably caused the formation of a clot on the brain. During the hunting season this fall Mr. Huff had several falls from his horse but none of them was regarded as serious.

Mr. Huff was the son of former Congressman George F. Huff of Greensburg, Pa., was president of the Keystone Coal & Coke Company, the Erie Coal & Coke Company, the Acme Gas and Coal Company and several other gas and coal companies in Western Pennsylvania. He also was president of the Erie National Bank of Greensburg. He leaves his widow, who was Miss "Mabel" Adelaide Hootless of Hamilton, Ontario.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—The Federal Bureau of Investigation will urge the adoption by Congress and the legislatures of the various states of a definite constructive program for maintaining the productivity of our forests and forest lands under government auspices and at public expense.

The division according to an announcement made by Chairman Thomas D. Perry of Grand Rapids, Mich., will recommend that the society place its resources at the command of the Federated American Engineering Societies in arousing the interest of the nation's engineers in timber conservation and reforestation. It also intends to continue our timber supply and to perpetuate our water power and inland navigation.

The Federated American Engineering Societies, of which Dean Northrup E. Cooke, of the University of Michigan, is president, has a reform commission actively at work in cooperation with the United States Forest Service and state agencies under the chairmanship of Charles H. MacDowell of Chicago.

Communication explaining the action of the forest products division will be sent to President Coolidge, the president of the Senate and the speaker of the House, the governors of all the states as well as the officers of state legislatures.

Reforestation will be a chief topic of discussion at the annual meeting of the American Engineering Council of the Federated American Engineering Societies in Washington, D. C., January 10-11, preceding which a national public works conference will be held.

222 Mine Fatalities
In Franklin County,
Ill., in 20 Years

Coal mine accidents in Franklin county, Ill., have killed 222 persons in the last 20 years. The latest casualties were in November in the largest, so far, coal shaft in the world, located at Orient. Then two miners were killed and 13 injured following an explosion caused by a gas leak. The explosion was caused by a gas leak and a head lamp.

Of the 222 fatalities 205 were killed by gas, by black powder, by explosion of dynamite, and two by breathing apparatus. The first big disaster occurred from a powder and gas explosion in which 48 were killed and three died from asphyxiation during rescue work in 1906. The famous Cherry mine disaster of 1909 in which 53 miners were killed occurred in a nearby county of Southern Illinois.

LIST OF COKE OVENS IN THE CONNELLSVILLE DISTRICT

With Their Owners, Address and Ovens in Blast Corrected to Saturday, December 22, 1933.

Ovens	In Words	Name of Operator	Address
182	Test	Alt. P. & S. Co.	Connellsville
183	Test	Alt. P. & S. Co.	Connellsville
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1-6	-70	Bailliford	Pittsburg Coke Co.	Pittsburg
700	-70	Colonial No. 1	Pittsburg Coke Co.	Pittsburg
100	126	Colonial No. 2	Pittsburg Coke Co.	Pittsburg
100	126	Colonial No. 3	Pittsburg Coke Co.	Pittsburg
-25		Donbo	Pittsburg Coke Co.	Pittsburg
000	200	Dearth	Pittsburg Coke Co.	Pittsburg
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400		Footedale	Pittsburg Coke Co.	Pittsburg
400		Geneva	Pittsburg Coke Co.	Pittsburg
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244		Martin	Pittsburg Coke Co.	Pittsburg
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CONFLUENCE, Dec 20.—Negotiations are nearing conclusions which will assure Confluence an industry to replace that lost several years ago when the tannery was abandoned. The deal is under way for the purchase from the B VanSickland Company, of the old tannery building for manufacturing purposes. A man named Jones, of Froeburg has been representing the company. Use of the building for the following purposes is proposed: First, a burrow plant which would employ 25 men.

Second—A plant for the manufacture of soft-soled baby shoes employing 15 men.

Third—A khaki pants and shirt factory, which would give employment to 50 girls.

The Chamber of Commerce has interested itself in the movement. It has encouraged the owner to obtain a supply of girls. To overcome this the chamber has been advertising and hopes to be ready to provide the necessary number.

The former tannery now used as lumber & orange building by the VanSickland Company, was erected by the firm of Deggs & Cobb of Boston and is composed of three connected sections four stories high, about 40 feet wide and 225 feet long.

Fifty-five thousand pound-boxes of candy for the children and 15,000 calendars were distributed by the

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THE LIBRARY BUDGET.

The presentation to City Council of the budget of the Carnegie Free Library, for the ensuing year brings to the attention of that body and the public the very real needs of this, one of our most useful institutions.

As detailed in the estimate by Treasurer L. F. Rupp, the budget represents what is actually required in order that the library may discharge its current indebtedness, resulting from an "insufficient" appropriation during the past year, and add to its equipment of books and provide for operating expenses.

On account of the wear and tear in handling books, a certain percentage of them become unserviceable during the course of the year. These being books most frequently called for, they must be replaced at intervals if the library is to render the kind of service its patrons require.

On the first of the year the book stock was less by 1,500 volumes than a year previous, due solely to the normal depreciation. For lack of funds the library has not been able to replace these volumes and, what is equally distressing because the library is not able to replace its patrons.

Although low, as compared with similar institutions, the operating expenses of the library are greater than a few years ago and for precise reasons. The cost of binding and the maintenance of establishments of all kinds are higher.

During the very few years when both the Council and the School Board made appropriations, or during the years when the tax levy authorized by the vote of the people was made and collected, the library was not cramped as it has been for the past eight or 10 years. Continuing deficits from year to year have absorbed the larger part of the funds that were made available with the result that the library has had to scrimp along under the worst of all handicaps.

This condition ought not to continue. It is plainly the sentiment of the people of the city that the library ought always to be adequately supported. It is hoped, therefore, that City Council will be able to devise ways and means for making a very large increase in its appropriation; and also that the School Board will find it possible to make such a contribution of the funds that it can augment council's contribution sufficiently to provide the entire budget for 1935.

AN OPPORTUNITY WE CANNOT NEGLECT.

The meeting at Conneautville Saturday night in celebration of the opening of the section of the Conneautville-Farmington road between the Falls City and Farmington was a memorable event, not alone for the community immediately adjacent to Conneautville but for the whole territory through which the road passes.

It afforded an opportunity to the people most interested in this improvement, to give public expression of their appreciation of what has been done by the county commissioners and others to complete a very important link in a thoroughfare which even now will give an outlet to one of the largest sections of the county at present without the advantages of a modern highway.

The meeting, served still another purpose. It was the biggest celebration still greater and more widely diffused interest in the early completion of the project; the meeting having called together boosters from Conneautville, Mill Run and other points along the road.

Another gathering of precisely the same kind cannot take place until the same link in the highway, like from Conneautville to Normalville or Mill Run, or from Conneautville to Mill Run, is closed. When this is done a second event of celebration can be held for which the Conneautville-Farmington road can be taken as a pattern in all that is needed to give the people of the neighborhood an opportunity to show how they feel over having been accorded the long-delayed privilege of a better means of communication with other parts of the county. The biggest celebration of all will come, however, when the last gap in the road has been closed and the improved mountain thoroughfare has become a reality. Then the whole section east of Conneautville and north of the National Road to the Fayette-Somerset line can forgo the same convenient point and participate in a celebration which will be historic among events of its kind.

But much remains to be done before such a gathering will be possible. So far as Conneautville, Normalville and Mill Run are concerned only a start has been made toward realizing the ambition of the citizens of these places and the intervening country.

The three-mile section of road from Conneautville to Sandy Flats is a splendid beginning in point of quality of construction but the mileage is a comparatively small part of the whole to be improved.

The meeting at Conneautville and the industry of the persons at the head of the "Conneautville-to-Farmington Good Roads Association" will give impetus to the movement, which must not be permitted to lose interest if the object is to be attained. The members of the association must be supported in the efforts they are making to have additional sections of the road placed under contract at the very earliest date possible.

Every resident of Conneautville, and especially those engaged in the different lines of business, should feel that the success of the highway project depends to a large extent upon the interest they have in it. The whole burden of stirring this community to action in behalf of the enterprise should not rest upon a few individuals. To give force and direction to public sentiment, and as a means of giving substantial aid and encouragement to the highway boosters who are working along it in the mountain townships, there ought to be an organization of our own.

Representatives were selected by the City Council, Chamber-of-Commerce, Kiwanis and Rotary clubs, they could jointly form a body to function as an auxiliary to the Good Roads Association, and do much to keep interest keyed up to the pitch where results would be certain to follow.

The opportunity presented to the people of Conneautville is too great to be neglected. Our concern being almost as vital as that of the people residing between here and Conneautville, we ought to be impelled by their example to equal activity in the advancement of an improvement that will contribute so materially to our continuing prosperity.

DANGER IN MEASLES.

It will doubtless surprise persons not familiar with vital statistics to learn that there are more deaths from measles than from any one of a number of diseases more dreaded by parents. This is a fact of statistics to which Dr. Alfred Hand, a member of the faculty of the graduate school of medicine, University of Pennsylvania, calls attention.

"Measles is called one of the diseases of childhood because almost everybody gets it during the early years of life," says Dr. Hand. "There are two main reasons for this: the first, because the disease is contagious, that is, spreads directly through the air from one who has the disease to one who has not had it; and the second, because if there be any inherited immunity to measles, such immunity will pass away after the first few months of life."

Everyone is so apt to take it when exposed, that measles heads the list of childhood diseases in its degree of contagiousness. Its striking distance is probably not far, but it undoubtedly contaminates the whole bedroom, schoolroom, hospital ward, and it may spread to other rooms more or less closely connected.

"Measles is therefore such a common disease, that many parents feel their children might just as well get it while young, and so they take no precautions. What is more serious, they feel that it is not a dangerous disease and are apt to neglect proper care of the children during the attack. The probable reason for this is that so few children die of ordinary measles in proportion to the number who have the disease, but the vital statistics of any large city will show that the number of deaths reported, as due to measles, is greater than from any one of a number of diseases which are much more dreaded by parents."

"The figures for the deaths from measles do not represent the whole danger from the disease, for many deaths attributed to pneumonia, middle-aged disease, possibly meningitis and even tuberculosis, might not have happened if measles had not been a forerunner."

Are not the risks to the future health of a child too great to regard measles as a disease of so little seriousness that the services of a physician are not required?

FOR BETTER ENFORCEMENT OF THE LAW.

Some political opponents of District Attorney-elect "Ed" Brown during his candidacy—two Democratic organs included in the group—sought unfairly to create the impression that they would be wanting in his administration evidence of a determination and lack of courage in seeking out and punishing offenders against the law. The information was quite plainly made that through political favors or otherwise, the district attorney's office could have its eyes closed to certain law-breakers and there would be only half-hearted efforts made to convict when such persons were apprehended. It was further alleged that, if elected, Attorney Brown would select a staff not particularly well qualified to serve the best interests of law enforcement, but as reward for diligent efforts in his behalf during the campaign.

To the people who are familiar with the character and the history of District Attorney-elect Brown, these canards were rated at their true value as being the stock-in-trade of that element in the Democratic party which has lost all sense of honor and fairness in the conduct of a campaign. The election in Brown after one of the most hotly contested campaigns in the history of the district attorney's office showed how unavailing were the tactics of the opposition.

The selection by the nominee of his staff of assistants, which includes Captain R. C. Bledsoe, chief of the local Baltimore & Ohio police, is still further rebuke to the Democratic agencies which sought to convey the impression that every element essential to efficient administration of the office of district attorney would be absent in event of Brown's election.

With a record for extraordinary success in tracing out criminals, absolute fearlessness in going after them, and ability and resource of a high order in establishing evidence of their guilt, Captain Bledsoe will bring to the office of county detective an equipment and experience which will qualify him as few men are to serve in that capacity. As such he will be able to provide information for use of the district attorney's office which will make it possible to mete out more exact justice to offenders, provided justice do their sworn duty and public sentiment supports the efforts that will be made in behalf of law enforcement.

In these particulars the individuals who are now so prone in their commendation of District Attorney-elect Brown and so liberal in their praise of Captain Bledsoe, have a splendid opportunity to show their consistency by standing squarely back of each of these officers and every other agency associated with or interested in a better enforcement of the law and the creation of a more wholesome respect for it.

The Business of Giving

A. V. Bond in Forbes Magazine.

"I know the relation that comes from making money and from building up commercial enterprises," says Albert A. Hyde of Wichita, Kansas, president of a company with large capital and doing business the world over, "but the joy that comes from using one's time and money for making this old world better, and happier is a thousand times more satisfying."

We hear much these days of the tithing and of the good that could be accomplished if all church members would give a tenth of their incomes to the upbuilding of the Kingdom of God on earth.

Mr. Hyde, however, does not stop with the tithing. In fact, he is said to reverse the order by giving away nine-tenths and living upon the one-tenth. After deducting actual living expenses, Mr. Hyde finds his greatest satisfaction and joy in giving away his whole income to religious, educational and altruistic work.

Mr. Hyde believes, with the late Andrew Carnegie, that "the man who gives away wealth which was true for him to administer during his life dies disgraced."

Solomon tells us that he that loveth silver shall not be satisfied with silver, nor he that loveth abundance, with increase.

Many men in their hearts realize this truth. Accumulated wealth has been the downfall of individuals, of families, and of nations since history began.

Mr. Hyde studies his benevolence with great care and rarely takes on any new cause. He thinks a man should "keep" and "stretch" over his spiritual investments with the same care one gives to those of a material nature. Then, when satisfied that he has found those which are bringing big returns, he should put time, heart, and money into their betterment, that he may have the real joy of initiative and development. This happens, few know—that of his really being "more blessed to give than to receive."

Compulsory Payment Of Compensation

Philadelphia's Leader

It will be a distinct shock as well as a disagreeable surprise to many to learn that the Workmen's Compensation Board has no power, or has not utilized what powers it possesses, to enforce obedience to its findings. Of what earthly use are its awards to injured workmen if the compensations allotted are permitted to go unpaid or if a large proportion of employers of labor make no provision to insure the payment of compensation?

It is essential that at least 100,000 workmen are employed by firms or corporations which have taken out insurance for their employees as required by the law; and of course, among this number there are bound to be casualties for which compensation ought to be made.

If the Compensation Board has been negligent in compelling obedience to its law, the truth about the matter should be made known and appropriate action taken.

A Democratic Estimate of McAdoo

Johnstown Democrat.

Democrats invited the most terrible defeat they have ever sustained by putting forward a "candidate in 1920 who swallowed 'Wilsonism' whole and who sought to make it acceptable to the American people. It seems unlikely that they will invite a similar or possibly a worse experience in 1924.

If Mr. McAdoo could be nominated and put forward merely as Mr. McAdoo; if he could be nominated in the popular mind from his own party in the administration; if his family relations could be kept out of the picture, then it is easy to believe that he would prove a strong and quite possibly a winning candidate.

But unfortunately it is altogether impossible to regard him only and wholly in the light of his own individuality. That is over-shadowed by the individuality of the man who called him into his political household and later accepted him as a member of the domestic circle.

The Ohio residents have fully qualified to administer the third degree to all new members of the Order of Conneautville-to-Farmington Road Boosters.

Abe Martin

JUST RECEIVED
TWO CARLOADS
MESH BAGS
EMERALD
EMERALD

ALL RIGHT! Split up an' split one
split one! A political campaign but
after a Democrat or a Republican has
come to the President of our country
has to be elected and a patriotic
enough to apply his picture on the
screen.

"Clear up, wheat farmers, human life
hasn't worth nothing either."
We reckon there never was a time
when holdin' the mirror up to nature
was as overworked as it is today.
About the only remedy for a long-
time, unhappily married woman take
the cake.

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Ford is showing his business sagacity,
as well as political discretion, in
exchanging his presidential "diver"
for the Conditte sedan, Model of 1934.

Doubtless some of our rabid internationalists will charge Secretary of
State Hughes with lacking the Christian
spirit by his cut refusal to enter
into negotiations for the recognition
of Soviet Russia right on the heels
of the discovery of a plot to
"raise the red flag over the White
House." Red and white are appropriate
Christmas colors but Secretary
Hughes does not intend that this
scheme shall be used in Washington
this season.

With Captain R. C. Bledsoe serving
as county detective fair warning is
given the criminals that it is time
for them to hunt their holes. If
these be of the "cave" variety all the
worse for the hunters, Captain Bledsoe
having a keen sense for picking up
trails leading to such places.

The whole church world would re-
joice almost as much as it did on Novem-
ber 11, 1918 if the "fundamentalists"
and the "modernists" would consent
to making their "Armistice" a permanent
cessation of their verbal warfare, which is as destructive of
faith in religion as armed conflict
was destructive of human life.

Conneautville is proud of the fine
Red Cross Roll Call organization
now allied and directed by Chairman
Luzerne, but regrets it cannot be
equally generous in its bestowal of
praise on those citizens who prevented
our record of membership being
maintained.

Of course the "four squareness"
with which the South Arch Street
Spirit that was missing has stood
back of Mayor Mitchell, Chief Murphy
and the city police in the enforcement
of law in Conneautville during
the past two years, is to be accepted
as an earnest of its pledge to stand
four square back of the new district
attorney and his county detective
too."

Legion Auxiliary Officers.
The Ladies' Auxiliary of Emory
Lewis Post, Post of the American
Legion at Vanderbit elected officers
for the ensuing year as follows: Mrs.
Edna Post, president; Mrs. Edward
Post, vice-president; Mrs. W. W.
Laird, secretary; Mrs. Lester D.
Bicklow, treasurer; Mrs. Minnie
Calverton, historian; Mrs. Robert
Baker, chaplain. Luncheon was served
by the committee. Plans were made
for a home talent play to be given by
the auxiliary about February 1. The
next regular meeting will be January 1.

Partnership Dissolved.
MEYERSDALE, Dec. 22.—The firm
of Hartley & Baldwin of Meyersdale
will dissolve partnership with the
beginning of the year W. H. Baldwin
retiring and disposing of his interest
to S. C. Hartley. Ray Hartley will
become one of the active managers of
the store which will be conducted
under the firm name of Hartley
Brother. Mr. Baldwin expects to
open a men's clothing store.

Four Overlook Granted.
GREENSBURG, Dec. 22.—Four di-
visions were granted by the county
court Wednesday. They follow: V.
A. Duerr vs. Jessie Duerr, of Par-
manus; Margaret Duerr vs. Joseph
Duerr, of Parmanus; J. C. Mc-
Clure vs. Joanna E. McClure, of Mil-
lerville; and John V. Vason vs. Mar-
tina Vason, of Ligonier.

Pass Run Removed.
HARRISBURG, Dec. 22.—The Pub-
lic Service Commission has announced
rescinding of administrative rulings
made March 15, 1915, forbidding ex-
change of passes or reduced rates to
clerymen. The action was taken be-
cause of ratification of the constitu-
tional amendment authorizing reduced
rates.

"Joe (Abbie) Reinholt."
The "Joe (Abbie)" at St. James Park,
near Dawson which was partly
destroyed by fire November 3, while
the tenants, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Ro-
berts, were vacationing in Somerset
county, has been rebuilt and will be
again occupied by the family to-mor-
row.

Roll Call Total

\$21,457.24, With
More to Come In

Howard H. King, county roll call
chairman, has issued a final report on
the result of the recent Red Cross
Roll Call. The total amount turned
over to the Fayette County Chapter to
date is \$21,457.24. A detailed report
according to districts follows:

Brownsville	1,707.53
Conneautville	2,210.00
Dunbar township	733.55
Dunbar borough	225.50
Dawson	450.00
Fayette City	1,000.00
Fayette township	210.00
German township	2,575.25
Jefferson township	771.50
Luzerne township	370.25
Musonsville	405.50
North Union township	694.00
Normalville	27.00
North Union township	623.00
Peaslee Church	34.00
Perry township	275.00
Redstone township	1,112.13
South Union township	206.00
Swack	275.00
South Union township	602.27
Union township	1,100.00
Wharton township	480.50

Total \$21,457.24
Last year the total amount collected
was \$15,778.69 and the previous year
\$13,127.34.

Leading all other districts in the
county for increased enrollment was
Redstone township, of which T. R.
Lynch was chairman. This district
totalled \$3,113.13 as compared with
\$296.13 last year.

Uniontown led in the total amount
collected, with \$1,507.85. Redstone
township ranks second, German town-
ship third, Conneautville fourth, and
Brownsville fifth.

The complete list of districts to ex-
ceed last year's enrollment is: Brown-
sville, Dunbar borough, Dunbar
township, Fairbance, German town-
ship, Luzerne township, Menallen
township, North Union township,
Peaslee Church, Perry township,
Redstone township, Smock, South
Union township, Star Junction, Calton-
town and Wharton township.

A number of smaller districts
throughout the county have not made
a final report to chapter headquarters
and the total amount reported for the
county of \$21,457.24 may be in-
creased by \$200 or \$300.

The special committee under the
chairmanship of Judge E. H. Reppert
collected \$1,750. This was distributed
to the various districts throughout the
county and included in the detailed
chapter report.

Albino Deer Shot

By Easton Hunter

HAZLETON, Dec. 21.—Now that the
deer season is over hunters are
checking up on each other as to their
stories of the "chase."

Charles Weinert, Easton, gets the
"honors" for shooting the only white
or albino deer heaped around here
this season. The buck, which was ac-
companied by a doe of the same color,
was pure white except for a very
small brown spot on its side and it had
pink eyes.

Albino deer have been sighted in
this section but one has not been
seen for several years. Weinert shot
his on a fine day.

Ray Scott, Hazleton, shot a very
unusual specimen of the deer family
in the Poconos. It had the heavy,
powerful lip, characteristic of the
moose, and caribou and instead of the
usual "buck" coloring, it was such a
pronounced gray as to resemble the
shade of a mullet cat.

It is believed the animal was of
the Michigan stock with Canadian
strains, which was released at Hickory
Run a few years ago.

Complaint of Car
Parked Wrong Side
Of Apple Street

Numerous complaints have been
made by many motorists about an
automobile which is parked a great
portion of the day and night in West
Apple Street, just off North Pittsburg
street. The machine, instead of being
placed in the parking zone provided,
stands on the opposite side. This is
in violation of the city parking ordi-
nance and adds to the dangers of this
corner.

173 TURKEYS, 135

CHICKENS FOR FORCE
AT CAPSTAN PLANT

On Monday, December 24, the Cap-
stan Glass Company distributed
173 turkeys and 135 chickens to em-
ployees; the turkeys to those who have
been steadily in the employ of the
company for one year or more and the
chickens to all those who have been
employed less than one year but
more than three months.

In making up the turkey list the
following interesting facts were
brought out:
One hundred seventy-three em-
ployees, or practically three-fifths of
the total number, have been with the
company for one year or more; 118
out of this number have been with
the company for two years or more;
89 for three years, or more, 48 for
four years or more, and six of this
list are the original men employed
more than five years ago when the
factory was first started.

As a result of the fact that some
families are represented at Capstan
with more than one member, 13
families received two turkeys,
seven and three families, consisting of
John, George and Steve Ambrose,
Anna, Margaret and George Hoesel
and William, Clifford and Eugene
Shupe celebrated Christmas this
year with three turkeys each.

KRESS COMMANDER

FOREIGN VETERANS

Camp Walter E. Brown, Veterans
of Foreign Wars, at a meeting Friday
evening, elected the following offi-
cers:
Commander, I. C. Kress; senior
vice-commander, A. B. Pickard;
junior vice-commander, T. R. Cum-
mings; quartermaster, H. O. Wel-
ker; adjutant, R. N. Gay; chaplain,
George Minnis, surgeon, Dr. L. P.
Starnes; clerk, T. H. Starnes;
treasurer, J. M. Martin; six months,
C. C. Sparks; patriotic instructor,
E. F. Connell.

A number of applications were re-
ceived and a class of six was initiated.
The standing committees were in-
structed to go on with the work as-
signed to them, including the mem-
orial committee.

The new officers will be installed at
next meeting in January. The ladies
auxiliary will be organized at this
time and the committee for the an-
nual banquet, February 4, will be ap-
pointed.

MATTHEW BOYLE

KILLED WHEN HIS
CAR TURNS TURTLE

Matthew Boyle, Jr., 25 years old,
son of Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Boyle,
Sr., of Jefferson, Greene county, was
killed, Dec. 19, when the automo-
bile he was driving went over a bank,
turning turtle three times before
hitting the bottom of the ravine.
Boyle is reported to have been driv-
ing at an excessive rate of speed
when he attempted to pass another
machine which was backing from a
side road onto the main road. He
was on his way to Rices Landing.

Besides his parents he is survived
by the following brothers and sisters:
Mildred, Sylvester and Sylvia, all at
home, Philip of Newmarket, John of
Greensville, Walter and Edward of
Hartsville.

The body will be taken to Scott-
dale.

SCOTSDALE NEWS

ABSORBS OBSERVER

SCOTSDALE, Dec. 19.—The Scottdale
News, which entered the local
field as a weekly paper a month ago,
has purchased the Scottdale Observer,
it was announced yesterday. On Fri-
day the News-Observer will make his
appearance. C. H. Grove will be
editor, Elmer R. Hickey business
manager.

The policies set forth by the
News when it began publication will
be adhered to, it was announced. The
new publication will take over the
subscription list of the Observer.

The Observer was established in
1900. Since the death of J. Howard
Cramer, owner and editor, the Cramer
estate had been publishing it.

Luncheon in Honor of

Uniontown Ministers

Resolutions of regret at the de-
parture of Rev. G. W. Watson, who
will leave at Miami, Fla., were adopt-
ed by the Uniontown Ministerial As-
sociation at a luncheon at the Hotel
Tulow. The luncheon also was to
honor Rev. William R. Vandusen,
new pastor of the First Presbyterian
Church.

Toasts were offered in honor of
Rev. Watson by Rev. H. W. Will and
Rev. O. D. DeLoe. Rev. E. A. Hoell
spoke words of greeting to Rev. Van-
dusen, and Rabbi Harry J. Stein
also made brief remarks.

Resolutions relative to the depart-
ure of Rev. Watson were read by
Mr. W. Scott Bowman.

WHITSETT MINER

KILLED BY FALL
DOWN STAIRCASE

Body of James Criley, 65,
Found by Neighbor With
Neck Broken.

When a neighbor called at the house
of James Criley, a miner employed at
Whitsett, Wednesday, Dec. 19, on a
business errand he found the body of
Mr. Criley lying at the foot of a stair-
way, his neck broken. He had been
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to funeral director Ira Blair of
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WAS CRIPPLED IN FOOT

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The dead man had lived at Whitsett
for many years and was widely known
in the community. His wife was dead
and he had for some time lived alone.

There survive four sons and four
daughters: Patrick of Monessen,
James of Washington, Samuel of
Savertown, Edward of Edgewood, N. J.,
Mrs. John Cummings of Monessen,
Mrs. Nora Forchuck of Shadyside,
Ohio, Mrs. Mary Adams of Monessen,
and Mrs. Irene Winn of Fayette City.

The body, which had been at the
Blair undertaking rooms, was re-
moved today to the home of Mrs.
Cummings at Monessen. The funeral
will be tomorrow with mass at St.
John's Catholic Church at 9 o'clock.
Burial will be in Mount Auburn Cem-
etery at Fayette City.

Looking Backward

News of the Past
Condensed from the Files
of The Courier.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1935.
Detailed report of the Conneautville
roll call for the week ending De-
cember 23, shows a total of 17,511
events in the region of which 8,845 are

President Edie Presents Report of Activities of Kiwanis Club in 1923

At last week's luncheon Dr. E. B. Edie, president of the Connellsville Kiwanis Club, submitted a report of the activities of the organization during the past year. This and the election of officers to serve for the ensuing year were the chief features of the meeting.

President Edie gave a very comprehensive review of the work of the club under his administration, saying in part:

"Kiwanis is sometimes referred to by critics as a 'knight and fork' club, and before proceeding to discuss our civic and educational activities I wish to say that considered only as a knight and fork club, Kiwanis is justified because it brings us together once each week to break bread together, to learn to know each other better, to renew and establish friendships, and to cast aside our own problems and troubles for an hour and to hear something of the other fellow's."

"Our major activity of the year was the establishment of the Carnegie Library as a civic center. If the Connellsville Kiwanis Club never does anything more than it has done up to the present time it will have justified its place in the community. Force of circumstances made it necessary for the club to secure suitable and permanent quarters and the financing of the improvements to the basement of the library, involving an expenditure of more than \$1,000, necessarily curtailed the amount which could be devoted to other purposes. But this expenditure has resulted in making the Carnegie Free Library Building a real community center and the library is better known and in closer touch with the community than ever before. The pioneer work of the Kiwanis Club has been followed by the work of the club, which has also established permanent quarters in the building. In addition to the improvements in the building itself the club has assumed the care of the library grounds and is making them a thing of beauty, thus giving to the splendid building the surroundings which its founders have desired for it."

"That this splendidly equipped room meets a real community need is demonstrated by its very frequent rental for a wide variety of uses. And there is no question that the continued growth of the activities of both the club and the library will eventually bring into such close contact with the community life as to make each absolutely indispensable."

"It is believed that the establishment of the club in these permanent quarters was a significant major activity for the year just past, but it leaves unanswered the question as to human needs and put to us by Kiwanis International, 'What have you done for the Under-Privileged Child?' We believe that the answer to this question should constitute the major activity of the club during the coming year. The committee which has had charge of the subject during 1923 spent much time and thought on it, bringing a special report to the directors. It is difficult to select the best line along which to work but it is probable that your next project will have laid before you a plan, a few weeks after the luncheon, of a very definite program for consideration."

"Experienced workers in Kiwanis say that the most difficult problem in administration of club affairs is to make the committees function and I want to call your attention to some of our committees which functioned particularly well. The House Committee under L. W. Cropper has had serious and exacting responsibilities during the entire year and they have been performed in a most satisfactory manner. The Committee on Business Standards and Methods under the chairmanship of R. M. Evans deserves highest praise. This committee has at all times been active not only in carrying on the work assigned them but also in originating ideas of particular value to the club. This committee had charge of 'Courtesy Week' an brought to the club George B. Martin of Pittsburgh, then international chairman of the Committee on Business Methods, who delivered one of the best of the many good talks which we heard during the year. The Educational Committee was responsible for the visit of Lieutenant Governor Harry Hickox and also properly presented the reports of the various international and district conventions and conferences. This latter feature is one which we consider of great value to the club."

"The committee of which Rev. J. L. Proudfoot is chairman, brought to us Mr. Willis of the Pittsburgh club who spoke on 'The Under-Privileged Child.' The same committee arranged the meeting for Constitution Week and so-called for speaker one of our honorary members, Attorney R. C. Higbee, whose talk was one of the treats of the year. The President's Week was observed by the club and the meeting that week was in charge of J. D. Porter who secured Fire Chief DeBolt to discuss fire prevention with special reference to the local needs and problems."

"When one reads over the weekly bulletins of the past year there comes a realization of the wide range of subjects concerning which information has been disseminated in our weekly meetings. In spreading knowledge and furnishing the raw material from which public opinion is formed the club has become the counterpart of the old-time town meeting. Some of the topics discussed have been of especial value to the community, notably the talk on 'Leprosy' by Dr. E. B. Edie and that on 'Sex Hygiene' by Dr. E. B. Edie, also the excellent presentation discussed by Harry Hickox of the West Penn. Several other talks were interesting and giving us a better knowledge of the community."

activities and possibilities of our community. Banks Brown told us about the origin, growth and possibilities of the Capstan Glass Company and, incidentally, told us that we have a California climate here, which confirms your president in his belief that Connellsville is the best place in the world to live in. 'Ed' Mason not only told us about coal mining but demonstrated the subject by taking a large number of the members through the 'Edison' No. 1 mine. Other talks of interest and importance were made by Dr. C. L. E. Cartwright of Pittsburgh, M. A. Kendall, vice-president of the Farmers Deposit National Bank of Pittsburgh, Dr. Carl Stribner, president of Thiel College and F. W. Neuroth, who discussed Germany as seen by him on a recent visit. There were other talks on such a wide range of subjects as forestry and State College."

"A number of meetings of the year showed in a specific way the interest of the club in the civic affairs of the community. Peter M. Murphy, city chief of police, told us of some of his problems and worries. Dr. S. A. Balz of the American Legion's Rehabilitation Board, gave us the facts and figures in regard to the number of the Veterans Bureau is now taking care of the disabled soldiers. One of the closing meetings of the year was devoted to a discussion of the needs of our proteges, the Carnegie Free Library."

"The project of bringing together the farmer and the business man to promote their friendship and their mutual benefit is one which the Kiwanis Club takes pleasure in having sponsored, and one whose value we believe will stand over a long period of time. The farmers' dinner which was held last May was well attended by both farmers and business men and our club also cooperated in the farmers' picnic in August. The memorial service to former President Warren G. Harding, with its eloquent address by our distinguished honorary member, Dr. H. J. Bell, was one of the high lights of the year."

"The individual members of the club during the year have participated very enthusiastically in drives for the Red Cross, Salvation Army and Near East Relief."

"Weeding for recreation or amusement has not been neglected. At an evening dinner dance the club had the honor of entertaining District Governor William G. Norcross. Half a dozen meetings were in charge of the music committee under its genial chairman, John Davis. Two meetings particularly well received were the legal bureau put over by the American Legion members, C. J. Poole, chairman, and the cabaret show in your memories."

"The club has had three meetings to which he ladies were invited, leading to them a better knowledge of what Kiwanis means to the members."

President Edie concluded his review of the year by expressing very hearty appreciation of the loyalty and devotion to duty and cooperation of the officers and directors of the club, making special mention of Ray Westcott, who well deserves the title of 'Watch Dog of the Treasury'; John J. Brady, secretary; George S. Connell, district trustee and district treasurer; 'Mose' Haines, who supervised the equipment of the club rooms and his associates, 'Vine' Salomon and 'Dob' Norton, the committee which conducted negotiations with the library trustees."

45 Deer Killed In County During The 1923 Season

Hunters in Fayette county during the past season killed a total of at least 45 deer. It is expected that this number will be increased when the report is received from Harrisburg, but the hunters have reported killing 45 to R. G. Bryson, game warden for this district.

The deer season opened on the first of December and closed Saturday when the season for all game went out. Season for the majority of the game closed the first of December, when the deer season opened.

During the 1923 season, hunters killed eight deer illegally. Of this number six were deer and two spike hounds. These deer were divided as follows: Brownsville General Hospital, one; Connellsville General Hospital, one; Uniontown Hospital, two; Fayette County Home, one; Children's Home, one; Salvation Army, one.

This order was made to prevent dishonest and disloyal office holders from showing the benefits of the retirement act which becomes effective January 1. If retired after this date, employees in the service 10 years would be entitled to the annuity provision after their disability retirement taking only a single payment in the fund.

Lafayette Man Dying Dead.

FRIENDS BELIEVE GOVERNOR ERRED IN DONEHOO CASE

Without Authority Under Code
to Depose the State
Librarian.

CUSTODIAN STANDS PAT

HARRISBURG, Dec. 26.—Even political friends of Governor Donehoo are wondering whether Dr. George F. Donehoo, deposited state librarian, has not scored a victory in refusing to resign.

Authorities on the administration reorganization code have expressed a belief that the Governor has overstepped his authority in deposing Dr. Donehoo, basing their claims on the fact that the library was made a bureau of the Department of Public Instruction and all dismissals in the department should come from his head, a constitutional officer.

Dr. George Becht, superintendent of public instruction, has refused to comment on the situation and Dr. Donehoo is still keeping quiet and has not sketched his intention of turning the management of the library over to Miss Anna Macdonald, his successor appointed last Friday.

The right of the Governor to make this appointment could not have been questioned under the former law, providing for the naming of a librarian. However, this act was wiped out by the code and Mr. Becht made head of the institution by virtue of its being made a bureau of his department.

Ruth Leslie Writes Of Safety in Mexico

Miss Ruth Leslie, daughter of George F. Leslie, of Lenox street, Uniontown, a missionary to Mexico from the Central Christian Church of Uniontown, now stationed in Aguascalientes, state of Coahuila de Zaragoza, one of the seven Mexican states in revolt against the Obregon government, writes in a letter received by her brother, L. V. Leslie, night editor of the Associated Press, Pittsburgh, that she and other missionaries in Mexico are under the direct care of the American consul.

Miss Leslie writes that there have not been any disturbances in Aguascalientes, although the soldiers have cut the telephone and telegraph wires and have done considerable damage to the railroads.

Place Changed for Mining Institute

Word was received in Uniontown yesterday that the place of meeting for the annual session of the Coal Mining Institute of America, in Pittsburgh on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, December 19, 20 and 21, which was to have been held in the Chamber of Commerce Auditorium, will be held in the Bureau of Mines Auditorium at 4900 Forbes street. The change in meeting place was necessitated because of the repairs to the Chamber auditorium.

Literary Society Contestants Named

SCOTTSBURGH, Dec. 19.—The following students have been selected to represent the Summer-Webster Literary societies of East Huntingdon Township High School at their annual contest in February:

Webster.—Declamation, Lillian Koch; reading, Ada Vance; essay, May Louise Pershing; debate, Mary Catherine Christie and John Monch.

Rev. Russell Delivers Final Sermon Here

Rev. W. P. Russell, assistant pastor of the First Presbyterian Church here, Sunday preached his farewell sermon to a large congregation. He now goes to Reno, where he will become pastor of the First Presbyterian Church.

His subject was "The Burning Heart." Following completion of his sermon he addressed the congregation informally, thanking it for the cooperation shown during his service here.

FIRE AT HERMINE.

Blaze Starting in Pool Room Causes
Damage of \$50,000.

HERMINE, Dec. 26.—A fire, which destroyed four buildings here yesterday and threatened for a while to wipe out the whole town, caused a loss estimated at \$50,000.

The fire started in the Ceration pool room in Main street and spread so rapidly that had it not been for the Greensburg and Irwin fire departments the ravages of the fire probably would have wiped out the whole town.

HOPE ON FLAG POLE AT DAWSON DRIVING PARK IS STOLEN

The rope which is used in hoisting the flag to the top of the big pole at the Dawson Driving Park has been stolen. It was about 200 feet long. George Cocoran, secretary of the driving park association, has offered a reward for evidence that will lead to the arrest of the thief.

TEMPLE OF DOKEYS MAY BE FORMED IN FAYETTE COUNTY

A membership campaign among the Knights of Pythias lodges of the county and formation of a temple of the Draumatic Order of the Knights of Khorassan, otherwise called Dokeys, were discussed at a meeting of the Pythian Booster Club in Uniontown, attended by 50 delegates representing 3,000 of the order in Connellsville, Scottdale, Uniontown, Brownsville, Star Junction, Smithfield and Belle Vernon.

The membership campaign will be started soon after the first of the year and especial attention will be paid to the smaller lodges of the county. On February 18 it is proposed to hold a public ceremonial in Uniontown, as was held in Connellsville recently.

The master of forming of temple of Dokeys was held over until a meeting on December 30.

J. W. Henderson of Uniontown was chairman of the meeting. Connellsville representatives were L. S. Robbins, C. F. Parker, C. W. Conner and H. S. Jones. Others included Alva Frazzaker, Scottdale; R. M. Bowman, G. A. Baughman, Victor Francis, William Hittner, R. N. Thompson and Paul Vance, all of Star Junction.

W. P. CLARK ELECTED POST COMMANDER FOR HIS SEVENTH TERM

William F. Clark Post No. 104, Grand Army of the Republic, met yesterday afternoon in Odd Fellows temple and unanimously elected W. P. Clark post commander for the seventh consecutive year. Other officers were elected as follows: Senior vice-commander, C. H. Whitley; junior vice-commander, John Robinson; chaplain, C. H. Hill; officer of the day, W. H. Shaw; officer of the guard, Clark Collins. Appointed officers are: Sergeant major, J. E. Jones; quartermaster sergeant, A. S. Haddock.

It was the regular meeting of the post and all members who were able were in attendance. George Ingram of Pittsburgh, a member of the post, gave a fine talk. Since last Memorial Day Mr. Ingram has visited three G. A. R. posts in Pittsburgh and he said that the attendance at the Kurtz post yesterday was larger than any of the three posts he had previously visited, the small attendance being due to deaths among the members.

Lad Starts for Windy City With Quarter

GREENSBURG, Dec. 17.—John Stakerek 12 years old, of Mammoth, started yesterday for Chicago and landed in the Greensburg city hall last night, this being as far as 35 cents, all the money he had, would take him. He walked from Mammoth to Hecla where he boarded a street car, bound for Chicago, as he thought. Becoming bewildered when the conductor put him off the car in Greensburg, a patrolman was sent for and he took the lad to the city hall. Arrangements were made by the superintendent of the mines for the boy's return home today.

Captain Cribbs Post of G. A. R. Names Officers

GREENSBURG, Dec. 17.—Captain George A. Cribbs Post, Grand Army of the Republic, has elected the following officers for next year:

Commander, John Zimmerman; senior vice-commander, J. V. King; junior vice-commander, Paul Henry; surgeon, Abraham Thomas; officer of the day, P. S. Fellers; chaplain, W. T. Maxwell; quartermaster, Hugh Henderson; officer of the guard, Michael King; delegate to the department encampment at Wilkes-Barre, June, 1924, W. T. Maxwell; alternate, S. P. Feighther.

MEDICINE CAUSES DEATH.

Somerset Man Symons Seen After Taking an Over-Dose.

SOMERSET, Dec. 18.—Frank Symons, 51 years old, died suddenly Sunday night at the home of R. A. Day of Johnstown, where he boarded. His death is said to have been caused by an overdose of medicine. He swooned soon after taking pills and died before a physician could be summoned. He is survived by his second wife and two children, Mrs. A. E. Bitner of Somerset and Paul Pritts of Johnstown.

The body was taken to Somerset.

Smithfield Pastor Resigns.

Rev. R. H. Austin, pastor of the Mount Moriah Baptist Church at Smithfield, has tendered his resignation to take effect February 1. He will leave at that time to accept the pastorate of the First Baptist Church at Apollo. Mr. Austin came to Smithfield from Williamsport five years ago. His successor has not been named.

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Banks D. Brown Of Kiwanis Club Named President

Banks D. Brown, superintendent of the Capstan Glass Company, unanimously elected president of the Kiwanis Club at its annual election. P. Edward Koehler was named vice-president and J. Raymond Mostert, treasurer. The secretary and district trustee will be chosen by the newly elected board of officers and directors.

There was no opposition to the above named officers, but the seven directors were chosen from a field of 14. Two of the old board of directors, A. M. Haines and V. H. Salomon, were re-elected. Five new directors were chosen. They were John L. Gaus, managing editor of The Courier; H. George May, attorney-at-law; R. M. Evans, manager of the Wright-Metzler Company; Julian F. Rosenbaum, manager of the Rosenbaum department store, and J. J. Dougherty, general manager of the Indian Creek Valley Railroad Company.

The contest was interesting, but devoid of friction. The new officers will take their places on January 1. Owing to the Christmas holidays there will be no luncheon of the club next Wednesday, the next meeting being scheduled for January 2, when the president-elect will preside for the first time.

The attendance prize, a ham donated by R. C. McCormick, was won by W. M. Paisley. There were 87 members and one guest present.

December Term Of Criminal Court Comes to Close

The December session of Fayette criminal court adjourned yesterday afternoon and all jurors were discharged. It marked the close of the charged with violation of the liquor attorney's office as far as trials are concerned. A half dozen defendants charged with a violation of the liquor laws entering pleas of guilty just before the session closed. They were John Scabbe, Charles Hartford, Charles Keckover, John Joseph L. Rullit, H. E. Post and John Lischysyn.

Robert Giles, colored, was acquitted by a jury yesterday afternoon before Judge J. Q. Van Swearingen, on charges of assault and battery with intent to kill, after deliberating for more than five hours. The defendant was charged with assaulting "Doctor" Ashby Ford, his wife and his father, at his home on Jacobs Creek, near Martin, on the night of November 13, last. Giles claimed an alibi and the jury found that was a case of mistaken identity.

In court room No. 1 before Judge J. Q. Van Swearingen, a jury convicted Louis Wolford of New Salem on charges of violating the liquor laws. Wolford was charged with illegal transportation of 2,592 bottles of Jamaica ginger and was arrested by state troopers at Seagriffs.

Patrick J. McGraw of Wynn Works entered a plea of guilty to a charge of carrying concealed weapons and was sentenced to pay the costs, a fine of \$100 and serve one year in the workhouse, imprisonment to be suspended upon payment of the fine and costs.

David W. Irwin of Masontown filed a libel in divorce against Alice G. Irwin, of Fairmont, W. Va., on grounds of desertion. They were married November 30, 1922, at Donsgal.

GIRL OF 13 SUES FOR DIVORCE

GREENSBURG, Dec. 17.—Mrs. Regina Sander Cessia, aged 13, daughter of Frank Sander, a farmer of South Huntingdon township, on Saturday through her attorneys filed suit for divorce against her husband of one day, Humphrey Cessia. The two were married October 22, 1923, and the young wife left her husband the next day.

It is claimed in the suit that the defendant procured the marriage by fraud. It is stated that last October 19 Sanders enticed the young girl from her home, saying he would procure employment for her in Greensburg. Instead of taking her to Greensburg he took her to the home of Earl Myers at Altoona. It is stated that on the night of October 20 while in the Myers home, Cessia forced his attentions on the girl. They went to Uniontown where by further threat Sanders made the girl state her age as 21, in procuring the license. They were married.

Cessia was acquitted on a charge of statutory rape at the last term of court.

Mrs. J. M. Keane's Mother Dies at Home in Ireland

Mrs. William Stenson, widow of William Stenson, died at her home at Dublin, Ireland, on Thursday, December 6, aged 78 years. She is survived by the following children: Mrs. J. M. Keane, Connellsville; Mrs. J. E. Shillenn, Camden, N. J.; Mrs. E. Fitzgerald, Alexander, William and Patrick, all of Dublin. The funeral service was held at Saint Agatha's, Dublin, and the remains were removed to the family cemetery, Mount Rath, Queen's county, for interment. Mrs. Keane visited her mother last year and she was then confined to her bed.

22 Bears Killed in Warren.

WARREN, Pa., Dec. 17.—Forty-eight deer were killed in Warren county during the season that ended Saturday. It was announced by Game Protector Pilling of Irvine. Twenty-two bears were shot during the season, he said, the largest weighing 450 pounds.

West Penn Will Load and Unload Freight Cars on the West Side, Council Is Told

Agreement Reached in Interest
of Relief of Congestion in
Heart of City.

PLANNING MEASURE IN

Bill to Establish Commission as Provided by Acts of Assembly Passed First Reading: City Engineer Henshel to Be Given Salary Increase.

Meeting with City Council Monday night on the matter of avoiding congestion of traffic in Crawford avenue, near the West Penn waiting room, by loading and unloading of freight cars, Harry L. Mitchell of Pittsburgh vice-president of the West Penn Railways Company, and Daniel Durkin, general superintendent, agreed to have the car stopped on the West Side in the future. There is only one exception, the 7:30 o'clock car in the morning, which it was agreed, would not interfere with traffic at that early hour.

PENSIONS AND INCREASES FOR WAR VETERANS

During the past month Congressman S. A. Kendall has been successful in securing pensions and increases for the following named persons:

John W. Gorman of Kregar, increase from \$12 to \$15 per month, effective September 26, 1923.

George W. Slick of Meyersdale, increase to \$72 per month, dating from September 22, 1923.

John Berkey of Windhorst, increase to \$72 per month, from October 31, 1923.

Jacob J. Stern of Somerset, increase to \$72 per month from May 1, 1920, to March 15, 1921, and will draw about \$230 back pension.

Broadening Christopher of Adah, allowed \$72 per month from November 6, 1922.

Daniel Scholer of Markleboro, granted pension at rate of \$72 per month from November 5, 1923.

James E. Nickel of Connellsville, granted pension at the rate of \$12 per month, effective August 31, 1923.

Andrew J. Colborn of Harrisville, allowed \$72 per month, from October 19, 1923, giving him back pension of \$44.

Anna M. Shunk, widow of Charles Shunk of Somerset, granted pension at the rate of \$30 per month from November 19, 1923.

Andrew A. Calhoun of Connellsville, pension increased from \$12 to \$15 per month, effective November 7, 1923.

William Templeton of Connellsville, granted increase of pension from \$12 to \$15 per month dating from November 7, 1923.

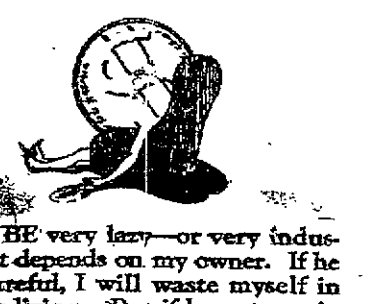
Motor Patrol Unit On Duty in Fayette

Three members of the State Highway Motor Patrol arrived in Uniontown Saturday afternoon and immediately took up their duties on the roads leading in and out of that city. The three men assigned here are J. T. Peck, in charge, and D. George and A. J. Oldham. For the present, the officers are making their headquarters at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Chick, at 105 East Main street.

For the next two weeks the officers will only warn motorists concerning their headlights, brakes and rules of the road except in cases where flagrant violations of the state auto laws occur. Last evening two motorists were arrested by Motor Patrol officers George and Oldham on charges of reckless driving. The officers were on joint duty along the National Pike at Seagriffs where the arrests occurred.

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